

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
U.S. Appl. No.: 10/660,518
Attorney Docket No.: Q77292

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The Examiner has objected to the drawings asserting that the label “column decoder” corresponding to 3a, 3b, 3c, and 3d in Fig. 8 should be labeled “row decoder” as described by the specification. Accordingly, Applicant has amended Fig. 8 and is submitting a substitute formal drawing with this Amendment. Thus, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to withdraw this objection and to acknowledge receipt of the formal drawing.

The attached replacement sheet includes the following changes:

In Fig. 8, the label “column decoder” corresponding to 3a, 3b, 3c, and 3d have been replaced with the label “row decoder.”

Attachment: Replacement Sheet

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REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are pending in the application. Claims 3-4 and 6-8 have been amended to conform them to the English language and U.S. patent practice. Additionally, claims 3-4 and 6-16 have been amended in response to the Examiner's 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph rejection. These changes are not intended to narrow the scope of the claims.

I. Formal Matters

Applicant thanks the Examiner for acknowledging Applicant's claim to foreign priority pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 119, and for confirming that the certified copy of the priority document was received.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for acknowledging receipt of the Information Disclosure Statement filed September 12, 2003, and for considering the references cited therein.

II. Objection to the Drawings

The Examiner has objected to the drawings because some of the terms mentioned in Fig. 8 do not precisely correspond to the description in the specification. Applicant submits that the modifications set forth above regarding Fig. 8 obviate the objection.

III. Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

Claims 3-4 and 6-16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being allegedly indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. As mentioned above, Applicant has amended the claims to address the Examiner's rejection. Therefore, claims 3-4 and 6-16 are believed to comply with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

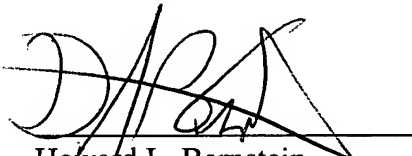
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IV. Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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